Improvement in service conditions and amenities for the service personnel is an ongoing process.

(c) There is no such proposal.

Purchase of missiles from Israel

1108. SHRI SITARAM YECHURY: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is purchasing a range of missiles from Israel;

(b) if so, the details thereof including budgetary allocations and spending on this count;

(c) whether it is a fact that the missiles that are being procured from Israel are affecting the development of indigenous missile systems; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY): (a) and (b) Procurement of defence items including missiles is made from various indigenous as well as foreign sources including Israel in accordance with the well laid down defence procurement procedure. This is a continuous process undertaken for the modernisation of the Armed Forces to keep them in a state of readiness to meet any eventuality. Divulging details in this regard on the floor of the House would not be in the interest **of** national security.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Women officers in three defence services

1109. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of women officers presently working in all the three defence services of India;

(b) how many suicidal cases occurred in the defence services, particularly women officers since last five years;

(c) what is the exact cause and circumstances which drove these women officer's to suicide in defence forces; and

(d) the details of steps taken by Government so far for preventing such incidents, particularly of women officers' suicide?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY): (a) to (d) The number of women officers presently working in the three Services is as follows:

Army	Air Force	Navy
945	739	236